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		"Characteristics of optically amplified optical fibre submarine cable systems" ITU-T, G.977, April 2000, pp. 1-36

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